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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Customer No.: 000201  
Applicant: Van Eendenburg et al.  
Serial No.: 09/737,377  
Filed: December 15, 2000  
For: PROCESS AND EQUIPMENT FOR THE MANUFACTURE OF EDIBLE SPREADS  
Group: 1761  
Examiner: C. Paden  
Edgewater, New Jersey 07020  
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**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME TO FILE A RESPONSE**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Applicants petition the Assistant Commissioner for Patents to extend the time to file a Response for four months from February 30, 2002 to June 30, 2002.

Please charge Deposit Account No. 12-1155 in the amount of \$1,440.00 to cover the cost of the extension. Any deficiency or overpayment should be charged or credited to this deposit account. Since normally three months are given to respond to substantive office actions, instead of the present one month, it is requested that the amount in the excess of a two month extension be refunded. This request is being submitted in triplicate.

Respectfully submitted,

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